THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (c) Work of construction of an additional room in Type-II Quarters in Sector-4, Gole Market started on 22.7.2004. The scheduled period of completion was projected as 15 months. Work in 1088 quarters out of a total of 1104 quarters has been completed. Work has been delayed in the remaining 16 quarters due to lack of cooperation of allottees *viz.* unauthorized construction by them at site, not making the site available etc. Besides, there are trees and electric poles which could not be removed in the absence of permission of the Forest Department for felling trees and of NDMC for shifting of electric poles.

Backlog vacancies

3621. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of backlog vacancies as on 31st March, 2004 in the Ministry and its Departments under his Ministry;

(b) whether special Drive was carried out to fill in the above backlog vacancies;

(c) if so, number of vacancies filled in during the last two years, department-wise; and

(d) the backlog vacancies as on 31st March, 2006?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

New construction technology of ICRI

3622. SHRI MOINUL HASSAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that new construction technology invented by Indian Construction Research Institute is not being used in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government are aware that foreign technology with machinery leads to double the cost of almost all the Government projects?